

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5600

As Reported by Senate Committee On:
Ways & Means, April 15, 2009

Title: An act relating to fiscal matters.

Brief Description: Making 2009-2011 operating appropriations.

Sponsors: Senator Prentice; by request of Governor Gregoire.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Ways & Means: 3/30/09, 3/31/09, 4/15/09 [DPS, DNP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5600 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators Prentice, Chair; Fraser, Vice Chair, Capital Budget Chair; Tom, Vice Chair, Operating Budget; Fairley, Hobbs, Keiser, Kline, Kohl-Welles, McDermott, Murray, Oemig, Pridemore and Regala.

Minority Report: Do not pass.

Signed by Senators Zarelli, Ranking Minority Member; Brandland, Carrell, Hewitt, Honeyford, Parlette, Pflug and Schoesler.

Staff: Steve Jones (786-7440)

Background: The operating expenses of state government and its agencies and programs are funded on a biennial basis by an Omnibus Operations Budget adopted by the Legislature in odd-numbered years. State operating expenses are paid from the state General Fund and from various dedicated funds and accounts.

Summary of Bill (Recommended Substitute): Biennial appropriations for the 2009-11 fiscal biennium for the various agencies and programs of the state are enacted, including appropriations for general government agencies, human services programs, natural resources agencies, and educational institutions. For additional information, see the budget summary materials published by the Senate Ways & Means Committee and available on the Internet at www.leg.wa.gov/Senate/Committees/WM/.

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EFFECT OF CHANGES MADE BY WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE (Recommended Substitute): Various appropriations are modified. Additional information is available on the Senate Ways & Means Committee website.

Appropriation: Yes.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 28, 2009.
[OFM requested ten-year cost projection pursuant to I-960.]

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: See committee files.

Persons Testifying: See committee files.